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Manufacturers of the famous "Tommy Gun"

OWNERS MANUAL

For Models

1927 A-5 Pistol

1928 Full-Auto

M1 Semi-Auto

M1 Full-Auto



also

1927 A-1 Deluxe

1927 A-1 Standard

1927 A-1C Lightweight

1927 A-3 .22 Caliber

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Congratulations and thank you for purchasing a classic American firearm. The Thompson, by Auto-Ordnance, has become a legend; perhaps the world's most easily recognized gun.

We have made every effort to provide you with a gun you will be proud to shoot and display. However, emphasis must be placed on the importance of proper handling and maintenance. Please familiarize yourself with the information on the following pages.

Thank you again and we wish you many years of safe, enjoyable shooting.

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PIVOT PLATE is removed with **FRAME ON RECEIVER**.

A. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

1. Always check barrel for obstructions.
2. **DO NOT** store loaded magazine in weapon until ready to fire.
3. **DO NOT** place trigger finger within trigger guard until you are ready to fire.
4. When not in use, bolt should be forward on empty chamber and firing pin released.
5. Always set gun on **SAFE** position when not in use.
NOTE: Full auto weapon, the safety must be **OFF**.
6. If gun does not fire, make sure bolt is completely home.
7. In the event of a misfire, keep weapon pointed down range for at least five seconds in case of delayed ignition; then remove the magazine and open bolt by pulling the bolt handle back. This should insure ejection of misfired cartridge. Inspect chamber to see that it does not contain a misfired cartridge.
8. **DO NOT** cock bolt with safety **ON** or damage to the firing pin may result.

B. AMMUNITION

In all Thompson .45 caliber guns, we recommend the use of 230 gr. **.45 ACP BALL** ammunition only.

For proper function we **DO NOT** recommend the use of the following types of ammunition:

HOLLOW POINTS, SEMI-WADCUTTERS or RELOADS.

For our .22 caliber guns, we recommend .22 caliber long rifle high velocity rimfire only.

C. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Make sure magazine is locked in position.
2. Set Safety on **FIRE** position. Point gun down range, draw bolt back and let snap forward. Gun is now ready to fire.
3. Keep internal parts clean and lightly oiled.
4. Hold open devices:
 - a. On earlier models, there will be two holes in the actuator slot on top of the receiver. Draw back and up on the bolt handle, locking it in place in the forward hole. To release the bolt, hit down on the bolt handle and the bolt will go forward.
 - b. On the new models, there is a lever in the magazine housing. This is located at the top of the guide rails where the magazine is inserted. Draw back the bolt and push up on the lever, letting the bolt slowly go forward until it locks in place. To release the bolt, simply draw the bolt back and let go; the bolt will then go forward. There is no hold open device on the .22 caliber guns.

D. LOADING AND OPERATION OF .45 CALIBER DRUMS

1. To load the .45 caliber drum magazine, remove key and cover. Load the drum with the nose of the cartridge facing up. Each compartment must be fully loaded. Replace cover and make sure the openings are lined up. Wind the drum 9 - 10 Clicks.

DO NOT overwind or wind again until drum is empty.

2. To load the .45 caliber drum magazine, bolt must be locked back.
3. Insert the drum in the guide rails from the left side of the gun until the magazine catch locks in place. The drum may fit tightly the first few times.

LOADING AND OPERATION OF .22 CALIBER DRUMS

To load the .22 caliber drum, place loading tool in drum. Depress a cartridge and place the next cartridge in. Lift up on the tool and slide the second cartridge to the back of the drum. Continue this procedure until drum is fully loaded.

NOTE: These drums are pre-wound and no winding is necessary.

E. DISASSEMBLY OF SEMI-AUTO MODELS

Takedown procedures for all semi-autos are the same. Part numbers for all .45 caliber models (1927A-1, A1C, A-5 and M1) are also the same. For .22 caliber models (A-3) refer to .22 caliber exploded view for part numbers.



1. Make sure that gun is unloaded, bolt (27-3) is forward and the firing pin (27-14) is in fired position with the **SAFETY** (27-49) **OFF**.
2. Depress the frame latch button (27-24) in the rear bottom portion of receiver (27-41). (See fig. 1)



Fig. 1. Frame latch button.

3. With gun upside down, pull frame (27-23) to the rear (new guns may be tight). About half way back you will encounter the frame latch button (27-24). The button can be depressed using a thin blade or small screw driver (see fig. 2). The frame (27-23) may then be removed the rest of the way. Care should be taken not to lose frame latch button (27-24).

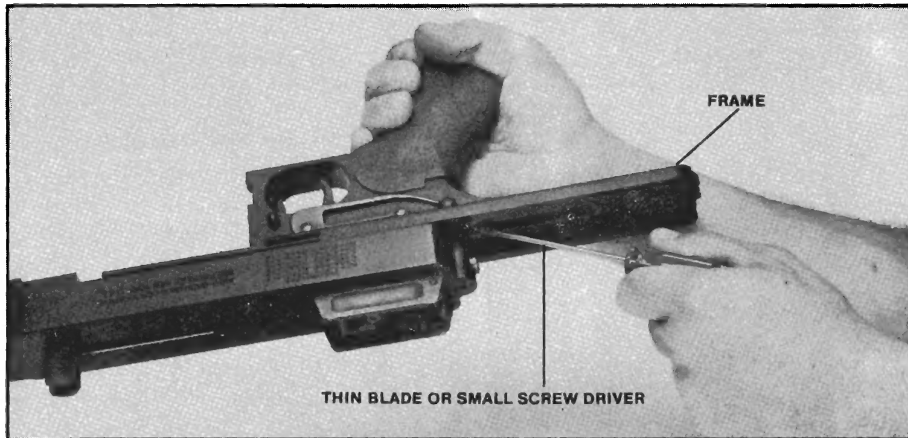


Fig. 2. Depressing frame latch button.

4. With gun still upside down, the internal parts of receiver (27-41) can be removed by pulling up on the recoil plate and spring (27-48). The firing pin pilot (27-18) and spring (27-17) will come out of the hole in the rear of receiver (27-41). (see fig. 3)

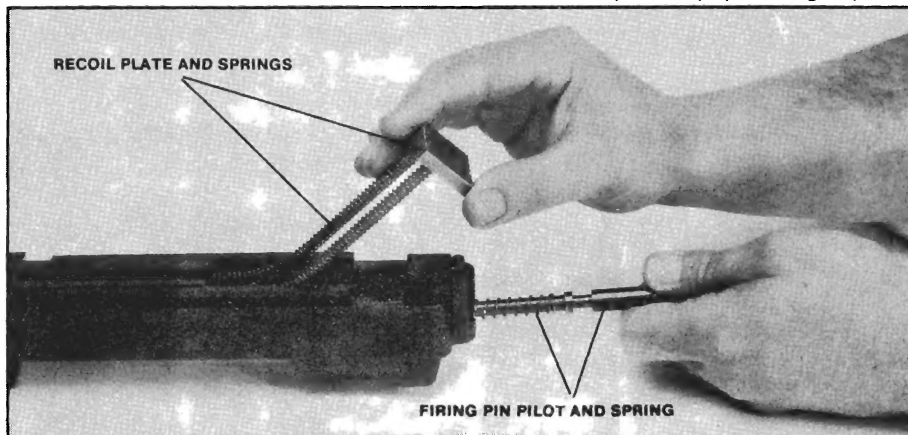


Fig. 3. Removing recoil plate and springs, firing pin pilot and spring.

5. Holding the bolt (27-3) forward with gun upside down, point muzzle upwards so that the hammer (27-29) slides free of the bolt handle (27-4). Remove bolt handle (27-4) from hole in top of receiver (27-41). Bolt (27-3) can now be removed. To assemble, simply reverse procedure. On M1 models, bolt handle (27-4*) is removed from the side of the receiver (27-41*).

6. **FRAME SHOULD NOT BE DISASSEMBLED UNLESS NECESSARY**, although a light coat of oil on pivot points is recommended.
7. ***DO NOT REMOVE PIVOT PLATE (27-38) WITH FRAME ON RECEIVER.**

F. DISASSEMBLY OF YOUR MODEL 1928 FULL-AUTO



1. Make sure gun is not loaded, **SAFETY (46) IS OFF**, bolt (4) forward and fire control lever (45) is in **FULL-AUTO** position. Remove buttstock (6) on the 1928 Models.
2. Depress the frame latch button (22) in the rear bottom of receiver (37) (see fig. 1 of semi-auto section) and slide the frame (21) rearward a short distance. With gun upside down pull trigger (53) and slide frame (21) the rest of the way off (care should be taken not to lose frame latch button (22)).

NOTE: If the fire control lever (45) is not in the **FULL-AUTO** position, damage to rocker (44) and bolt (4) may result.

3. With gun still upside down, disassemble upper receiver (37) by pulling bolt (4) to the rear about two inches and inserting a paper clip into the small hole in buffer pilot (5). (see fig. 4)

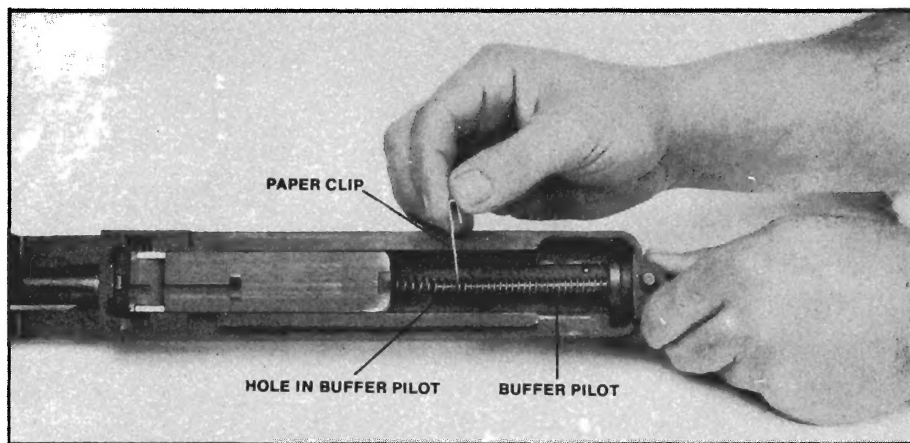


Fig. 4. Using paper clip to hold compressed spring on buffer pilot.

4. With gun upside down and bolt (4) forward, push buffer pilot (5) forward to clear it from back of receiver (37) and remove it. Care should be taken not to remove paper clip as it is holding the compressed spring (43) on the buffer pilot (5).
5. Slide bolt (4) to the rear of receiver (37) and lift out. Slide actuator (1) and lock (29) forward (notice that the word UP with an arrow pointing towards the muzzle is stamped on the lock). Remove lock (29) and slide actuator (1) to the rear of receiver (37) and lift out. To assemble, simply reverse procedure.
6. **THE FRAME SHOULD NOT BE DISASSEMBLED UNLESS NECESSARY**, although a light coat of oil on pivot points is recommended.

REMINDER NOTES MODEL 1928, M1 FULL-AUTOS:

The bolt (4) must be all the way back before the **SAFETY** lever (46) can be put on **SAFE** and **FIRE** control lever (45) can be moved from **FULL-AUTO** to **SINGLE**. With bolt (4) forward, damage to rocker (44) and bolt (4) may result.

G. DISASSEMBLY OF YOUR M1 FULL-AUTO

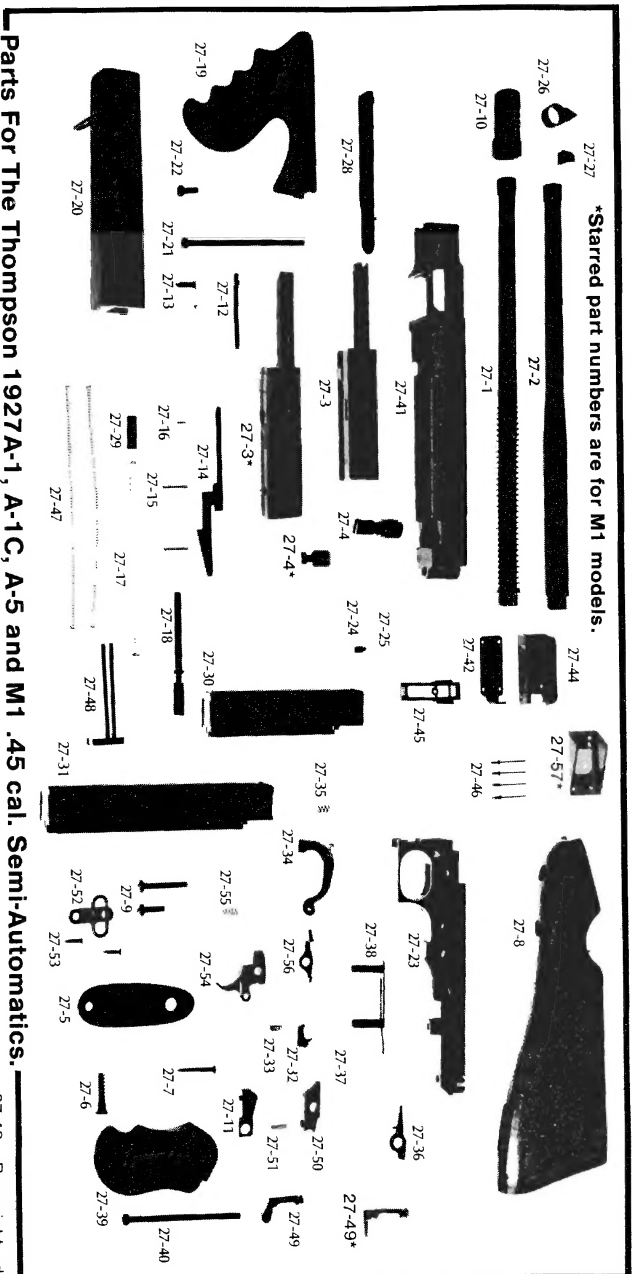
1. Take off lower frame (21*) as outlined in Model 1928 Full Auto disassembly.
2. With gun upside down, push buffer pilot (5*) forward until it is flush with back of receiver (37*). The buffer (56*) can now be removed.
3. Release buffer pilot (5*) slowly and remove the buffer pilot and recoil spring (43*).
4. Move bolt (4*) back half way and remove bolt handle (57*) through hole in side of receiver (37*). The bolt (4*) is now free to lift out of receiver (37*). To assemble, simply reverse procedure.

NOTE: Have bolt half way back when installing buffer assembly so as not to damage the recoil spring.

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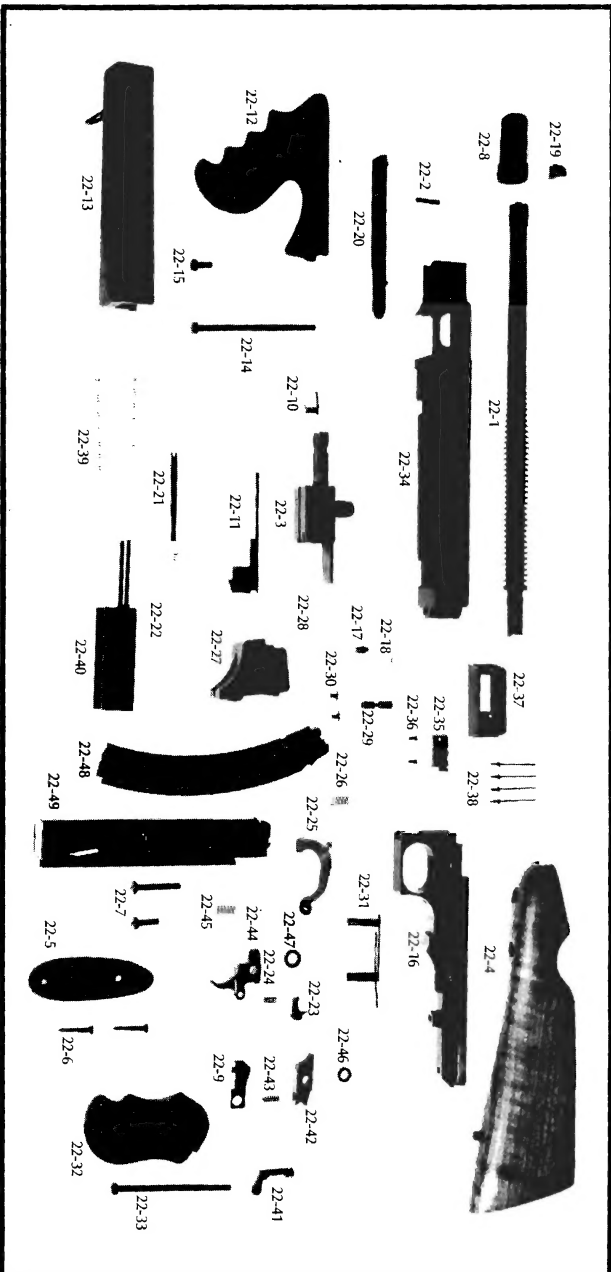
The company will replace or adjust to its commercial standard any gun or part thereof returned to the factory and found by us to be defective in either material or workmanship. Such service will be made free of charge for one year from date of purchase. This warranty and statement of liability supersedes all previous warranties and commitments.

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Parts For The Thompson 1927A-1, A-1C, A-5 and M1 .45 cal. Semi-Automatics.

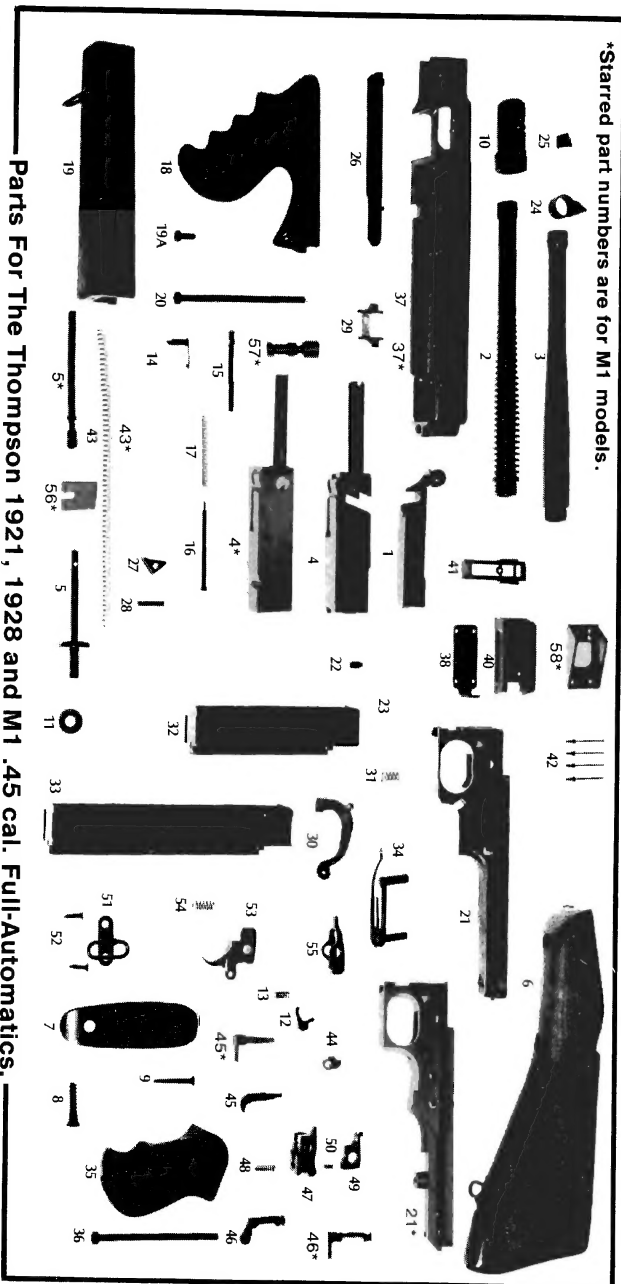
27-1	Barrel, finned, threaded for comp.	27-14	Firing pin	27-28	Gripmount	27-43	Rear sight, adjustable, complete (not shown)
27-2	Barrel, smooth for std. fr. sight	27-15	Firing pin retaining pin (2 required)	27-29	Hammer	27-44	Rear sight base
27-3	Bolt 27-3*	27-16	Firing pin, retracting pin	27-30	Magazine, 20, 15, 5 shot	27-45	Rear sight leaf, complete
27-4	Bolt handle 27-4*	27-17	Firing pin spring	27-31	Magazine, 30 shot	27-46	Rear sight rivets, four for
27-5	Buttplate with cap & spring	27-18	Firing pin pilot	27-32	Lifter	27-47	Recoil spring - each
27-6	Buttplate screw, large	27-19	Foregrip, vertical	27-33	Magazine catch	27-48	Recoil spring pilot & plate
27-7	Buttplate screw, small	27-20	Foregrip, horizontal	27-34	Magazine catch spring	27-49	Safety lever 27-49*
27-8	Buttstock	27-21	Foregrip, screw, vertical	27-35	Magazine catch	27-50	Sear block
27-9	Buttstock retaining screws, (short or long)	27-22	Foregrip, screw, horizontal	27-36	Pawl	27-51	Sear block spring
27-10	Compensator, less front sight	27-23	Frame	27-37	Pawl spring	27-52	Sling swivel
27-11	Disconnector	27-24	Frame latch	27-38	Pivot plate	27-53	Sling swivel screws (2)
27-12	Extractor	27-25	Frame latch spring	27-39	Rear grip	27-54	Trigger
27-13	Ejector	27-26	Front sight, std. ring	27-40	Rear grip screw	27-55	Trigger spring
		27-27	Front sight for compensator	27-41	Receiver 27-41*	27-56	Trip
				27-42	Rear sight, standard	27-57*	Rear sight



Parts For The Thompson 1927A-3 .22 cal. Semi-Automatic.

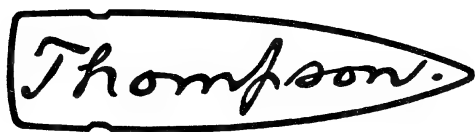
22-1	Barrel assy, complete	22-13	Foregrip, horizontal	22-26	Magazine catch spring	22-39	Recoil spring
22-2	Barrel retaining pin	22-14	Foregrip screw, vertical	22-27	Magazine adapter	22-40	Recoil buffer assy.
22-3	Bolt assy.	22-15	Foregrip screw, horizontal	22-28	Magazine adapter spring	22-41	Safety lever
22-4	Buttstock	22-16	Frame	22-29	Magazine adapter pin	22-42	Sear block
22-5	Butt plate	22-17	Frame latch	22-30	Magazine adapter screw	22-43	Sear block spring
22-6	Buttplate screw	22-18	Frame latch spring	22-31	Pivot plate	22-44	Trigger
22-7	Buttstock retaining screws	22-19	Front sight	22-32	Rear grip	22-45	Trigger spring
22-8	(long, short).	22-20	Gripmount	22-33	Rear grip screw	22-46	9/16" x 5/16" spacer
22-9	Compensator	22-21	Hammer	22-34	Receiver	22-47	1 1/16" x 3/8" spacer
22-10	Disconnector	22-22	Hammer spring	22-35	Rear sight	22-48	30 round magazine
22-11	Extractor	22-23	Lifter	22-36	Rear sight screws	22-49	10 round magazine
22-12	Firing pin	22-24	Lifter spring	22-37	Rear sight base		
22-13	Foregrip, vertical**	22-25	Magazine catch	22-38	Rear sight rivets		

*Starred part numbers are for M1 models.

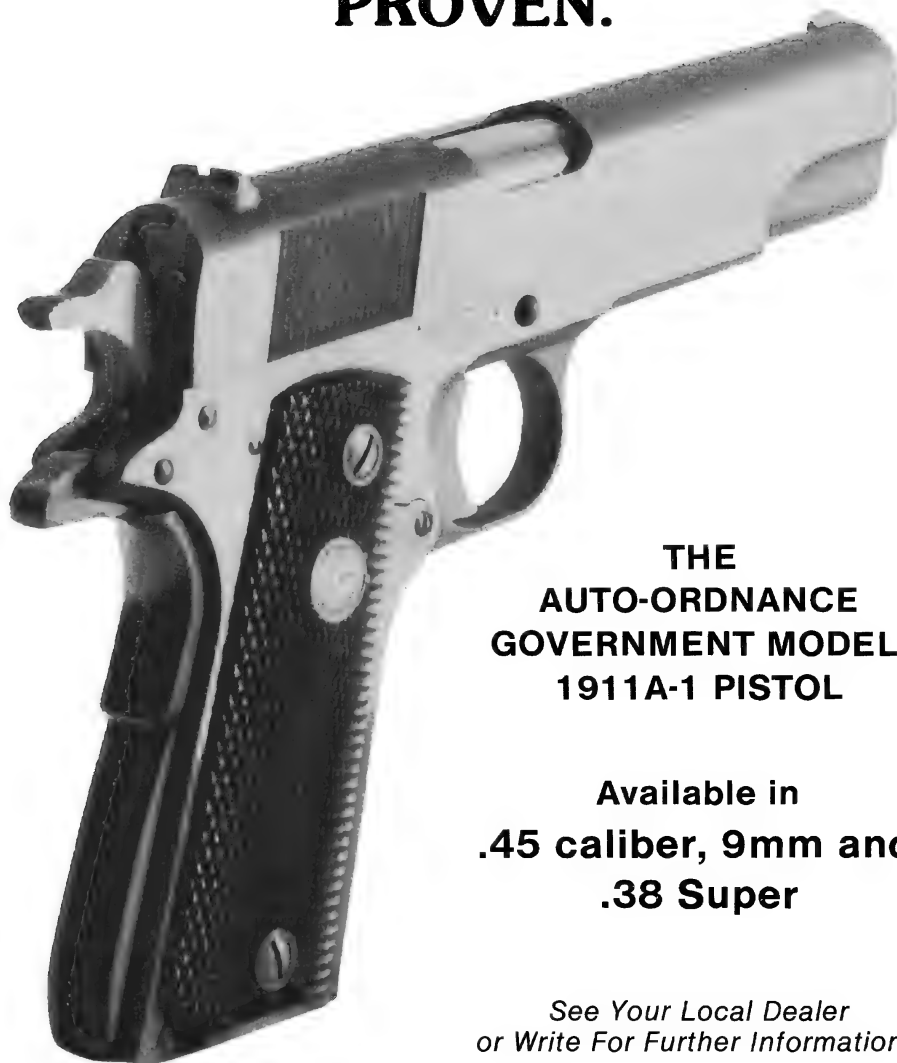


Parts For The Thompson 1921, 1928 and M1 .45 cal. Full-Automatics.

- 1 Actuator
- 2 Barrel, fluted and threaded
- 3 Barrel, smooth for std. fr. sight
- 4 Bolt 4*
- 5 Buffer pilot (incl. fiber disc)
- 5* Buffer Pilot
- 6 Buttslock
- 7 Butt plate
- 8 Butt plate screw, large
- 9 Butt plate screw, small
- 10 Compensator
- 11 Disc (fiber)
- 12 Disconnecter
- 13 Disconnecter spring
- 14 Ejector
- 15 Extractor
- 16 Firing pin
- 17 Firing pin spring
- 18 Foregrip, vertical
- 19 Foregrip, horizontal
- 19A Foregrip screw, horizontal
- 20 Foregrip screw, vertical
- 21 Frame 21*
- 22 Frame latch
- 23 Frame latch spring
- 24 Front sight, std. ring
- 25 Front sight for compensator
- 26 Gripmount
- 27 Hammer
- 28 Hammer pin
- 29 Lock
- 30 Magazine catch
- 31 Magazine catch spring
- 32 Magazine, 20 shot
- 33 Magazine, 30 shot
- 34 Pivot plate
- 35 Rear grip
- 36 Rear grip screw
- 37 Receiver 37*
- 38 Rear sight, standard
- 39 Rear sight, complete (not shown)
- 40 Rear sight base
- 41 Rear sight leaf, complete
- 42 Rear sight rivet
- 43 Recoil spring 43*
- 44 Rocker
- 45 Rocker pivot or
- 45* fire control lever
- 46 Safety lever 46*
- 47 Sear
- 48 Sear spring
- 49 Sear lever
- 50 Sear lever spring
- 51 Sling swivel
- 52 Sling swivel screws
- 53 Trigger
- 54 Trigger spring
- 55 Trip
- 56* Buffer
- 57* Bolt handle
- 58* Rear sight



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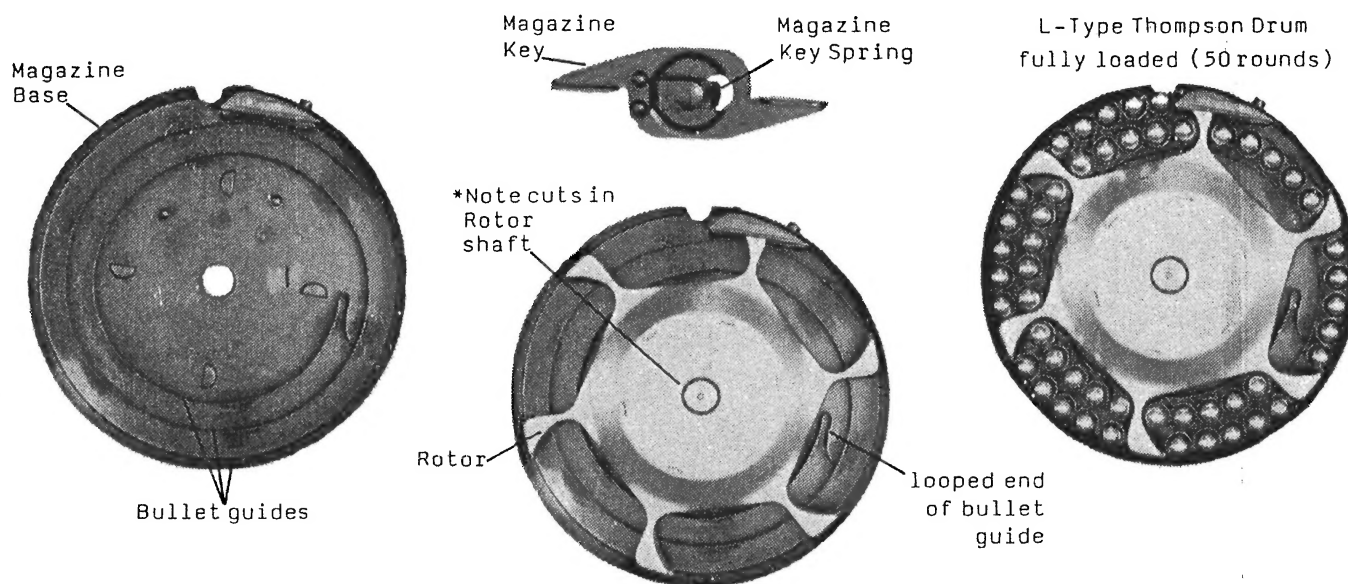
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CARE AND FEEDING OF L-TYPE 50 RD. THOMPSON Drum



- (1) Lift Magazine Key Spring and slide Magazine Key from Magazine cover. Remove Magazine Cover.
- (2) Place 230 gr. ball ammo base down starting at 12 o'clock position in Magazine Base loading counter-clockwise. Fill each of the ten sections of Rotor with five rounds each until fully loaded.

WARNING: Where looped end of bullet guide ends, do not load in the area as jams will occur when Rotor turns.

- (3) When L-Type Thompson Drum is fully loaded (50 rounds), replace cover and Magazine Key. *Note cuts in Rotor shaft for Magazine Key - exert downward pressure on Magazine cover. Wind Key 9-11 clicks as stated on the Magazine Cover.

WARNING: Do not wind more than the stated amount or after any rounds have been fired.

- (4) To unload, hold Drum upside down and press bullets out forward one by one through the mouth of magazine until empty.

WARNING: Do not open cover when loaded and wound as damage may result.

- (5) To load the L-Type Thompson Drum in your firearm, bolt must be locked back.
- (6) Insert the Drum in the guide rails from the left side of the gun until magazine catch locks in place. The Drum may fit tightly the first few times.

Parts For The Thompson 1927A-1, 1927A-1C, M1; 1927A-5 and 10mm Semi-Auto Carbines

No.	Description		27-23	** Foregrip, horizontal	24.95	27-47	Rear Sight Plunger Spring ..	1.25
27-1	Barrel, finned & threaded	65.00	27-24	Foregrip, horizontal screw ..	3.00	27-48	Rear Sight Plunger	1.50
27-2	Barrel, smooth for st. fr. sight	59.95	27-25	Frame	215.00	27-49	Rear Sight Screws	4/1.00
27-3	Bolt	67.95	#25	Frame M1	215.00		Rear Sight, Adj., Complete	34.95
#3	Bolt M1	67.95	27-26	Frame Latch (not shown) ..	1.95	27-50	Recoil Spring	1.25
27-4	Bolt Handle	18.25	27-27	Frame Latch Spring (not shown)	.80	27-51	Recoil Spring Pilot & Plate	10.50
#4	Bolt Handle M1	18.25	27-28	Front Sight, Std. Ring	3.50	27-52	Safety Lever (Sub, M1)	13.25
27-5	Buttplate	7.50	27-29	Front Sight for Compensator	9.00	#52	Safety Lever M1	13.25
27-6	Buttplate Screw, large	1.75	27-30	Gripmount	18.95	27-53	Sear Block	18.50
27-7	Buttplate Screw, small	1.75	27-31	Hammer	2.95	27-54	Sear Block Spring	1.25
27-8	Buttstock	39.95	27-32	Magazine, 20 round	12.95	27-55	Sling Swivel	2.00
27-9	Buttstock, retaining screw, large	2.50	27-33	Magazine, 30 round	11.50	27-56	Sling Swivel Screws	1.00
27-10	Buttstock, retaining screw, small	1.95	27-34	Lifter	4.50	27-57	Trigger	19.95
27-11	Buttstock reinforcing nut & bolt	2.00	27-35	Lifter Spring	1.25	27-58	Trigger Spring	1.25
27-12	Compensator, less front sight	32.95	27-36	Magazine Catch	15.95	27-59	Trip	8.00
27-13	Disconnecter	3.95	27-37	Magazine Catch Spring	1.50	27-60	Oil Can	4.95
27-14	Extractor	5.25	27-38	Pawl	8.95	27-61	Forend Reinforcing Band	14.95
27-15	Ejector A1	4.25	27-39	Pawl Spring	1.25	Parts Unique to 1927A1 10mm		
#15	Ejector M1	4.25	27-40	Pivot Plate	19.95	27-1MM	Barrel	65.00
27-16	Firing Pin	12.00	27-41	Rear Grip	16.00	27-3MM	Bolt	67.95
27-17	Firing Pin, retaining pin (2 req'd)	.80	27-42	Rear Grip Screw	3.95	27-33M	Magazine	14.50
27-18	Firing Pin, retracting pin80	27-43	* Receiver	285.00	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p align="center">*FFL Dealers Only.</p> <p align="center">Specify which Model when ordering parts.</p> <p align="center">**Specify 1/2" or 3/4" Slot for Gripmounts.</p> </div>		
27-19	Firing Pin Spring	1.25	#43	* Receiver M1	285.00			
27-20	Firing Pin Pilot	5.95	27-44	Rear Sight M1	11.00			
27-21	** Foregrip, vertical	31.95	27-45	Rear Sight Leaf Complete ..	26.75			
27-22	Foregrip, vertical screw	4.50	27-46	Rear Sight Base	19.95			

Spare Parts For The Thompson Model 1928 and M1

No.	Description		28-24	Frame Latch Spring80	#49	Safety Lever M1	13.25
28-1	Actuator	58.50	28-25	Front Sight, std. ring	3.50	28-50	Sear	19.50
28-2	Barrel, finned and threaded	64.95	28-26	Front Sight for Compensator	9.00	28-51	Sear Spring	1.00
28-3	Barrel, smooth for std. fr. sight	61.95	28-27	Gripmount	18.95	28-52	Sear Lever	17.95
28-4	Bolt	69.50	28-28	Hammer	2.90	28-53	Sear Lever Spring	1.00
#4	Bolt M1	69.50	28-29	Hammer Pin	1.00	28-54	Sling Swivel	2.00
28-5	Buffer Pilot (incl. fiber disc.)	19.95	28-30	Lock	24.95	28-55	Sling Swivel Screws (2)	1.00
28-6	Buttstock	58.95	28-31	Magazine Catch	15.95	28-56	Trigger	19.95
#6	Buttstock M1	39.95	28-32	Magazine Catch Spring	1.50	28-57	Trigger Spring	1.25
28-7	Buttplate	7.50	28-33	Magazine, 20 shot	12.95	28-58	Trip	15.95
#7	Buttplate M1	7.50	28-34	Magazine, 30 shot	11.50	28-59	Buttstock Screws, long	2.50
28-8	Buttplate Screw, large	1.75	28-35	Pivot Plate	19.95	#59	Buttstock Screws, long M1	2.50
#8	Buttplate Screw, large M1 ..	1.75	28-36	Rear Grip	16.00	28-60	Buttstock Screws, short ...	1.95
28-9	Buttplate Screw, small	1.75	#36	Rear Grip M1	16.00	#60	Buttstock Screws, short M1	1.95
#9	Buttplate Screw, small M1	1.75	28-37	Rear Grip Screw	3.95	28-61	Buttstock Slide	25.95
28-10	Compensator (less front sight)	32.95	28-38	* Receiver	350.00	28-62	Buttstock Catch Spring	1.25
28-11	Disc (fiber-write for availability)	.50	#38	* Receiver M1	350.00	#63	Buffer Pilot M1	7.95
28-12	Disconnecter	3.95	28-39	Rear Sight, standard	11.00	#64	Buffer Assembly M1	19.95
28-13	Disconnecter Spring	1.00	28-40	Rear Sight, complete(not shown)	34.95	#65	Bolt Handle M1	18.25
28-14	Ejector	4.25	28-41	Rear Sight Base	19.95	28-66	Buttstock Reinforcing Nut & Bolt	2.00
#14	Ejector M1	4.25	28-42	Rear Sight Leaf, complete	26.75	28-67	Oil Can	4.95
28-15	Extractor	5.25	28-43	Rear Sight Plunger	1.50	28-68	Forend Reinforcing Band ...	14.95
28-16	Firing Pin	12.00	28-44	Rear Sight Plunger Spring ..	1.25	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p align="center">** Specify 1/2" or 3/4" Slot for Gripmounts</p> <p align="center">*Machine Gun Dealers Only.</p> <p align="center">Please write for availability of 1921 and M1A-1 parts.</p> </div>		
28-17	Firing Pin Spring	1.00	28-45	Rear Sight Screws	4/1.00			
28-18	** Foregrip, vertical	31.95	28-46	Recoil Spring	2.00			
28-19	Foregrip screw, vertical	4.50	28-47	Rocker	3.95			
28-20	** Foregrip, horizontal	24.95	28-48	Rocker Pivot or		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p align="center">PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE</p> </div>		
28-21	Foregrip screw, horizontal	3.00		Fire Control Lever	8.95			
28-22	Frame	250.00	#48	Rocker Pivot or				
#22	Frame M1	250.00		Fire Control Lever M1	8.95			
28-23	Frame Latch	1.95	28-49	Safety Lever (Sub, M1)	13.25			

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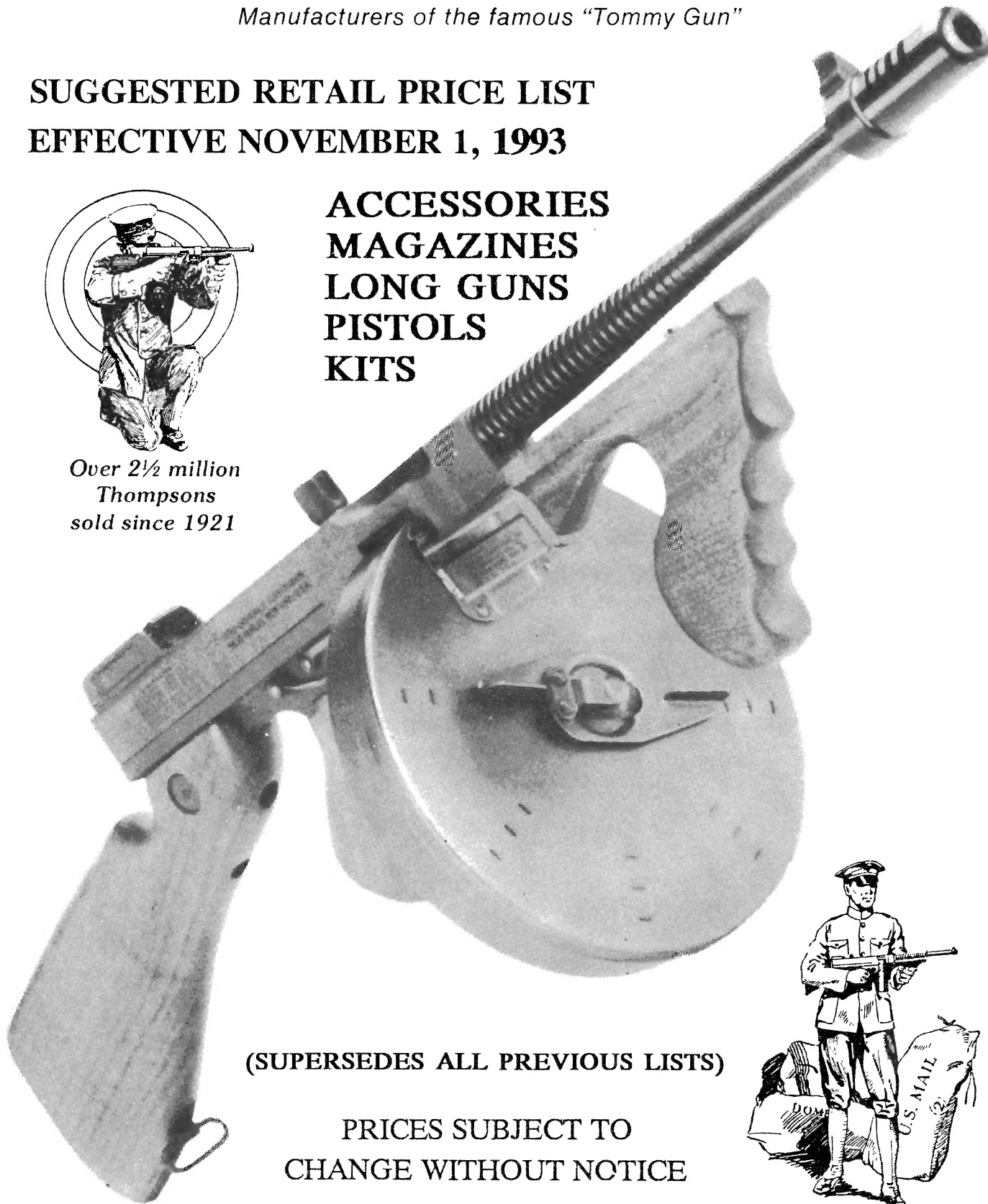
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